

NEW NAMES FOR TWO BRAZILIAN SPECIES.—**Rhynchospora Hunnewellii** L. B. Smith, nom. nov. *Pleurostachys gracilis* Boeckl. in Allg. Bot. Zeit. 2: 111. 1896, non *Rynchospora gracilis* (Sw.) Vahl, Enum. 2: 234. 1806.

The specific name is made in honor of Mr. Francis Welles Hunnewell, who collected the plant on a recent foray in the vicinity of Rio.

Ficus officinalis L. B. Smith, nom. nov. *Pharmacosycea perforata* Miq. in Hook. London Journ. Bot. 7: 68. 1848, non *Ficus perforata* L. Amoen. Acad. 8: 265. 1775.

The name "officinalis" will serve to retain some of the medicinal flavor of "Pharmacosycea".—LYMAN B. SMITH, Smithsonian Institution.

A PROSTRATE RORIPPA IN THE INTERIOR.—Herewith is recorded a Minnesota locality of Professor Fernald's prostrate *Rorippa*. The plants were discovered on shores of two exsiccating ponds at Island Lake, 20 miles north of Duluth, where Highway No. 4 intervenes between the ponds and the lake. The prostrate plants, in association with the typical form, rooted at the nodes and, growing toward the receding water-line, were still anchored to the drying mud by their primary roots. The striking creeping habit, runner-fashion, was further accented by the development of short, leafy axillary inflorescences some in mature fruit. The collection, *Lakela* no. 6738, August 31, 1946, is readily identified as *Rorippa islandica* (Oeder) Borbas, var. *microcarpa* (Regel) Fernald, f. *reptabunda* Fernald, RHODORA, Feb. 1948, described from New Hampshire, the name corrected in the April number, p. 100, to Var. *Fernaldiana* Butters & Abbe, forma *reptabunda* Fernald.—OLGA LAKELA, University of Minnesota, Duluth Branch, Duluth, Minnesota.

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